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FYI – Greg Sopkin will be in Helena next week to present the Montana Environmental Trust Group with this redevelopment award. Each Region is presenting one award in celebration of the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Superfund Redevelopment Initiative. Please come out and join in the celebration if you have some time.

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Please join EPA Region 8 Administrator Gregory Sopkin on August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 am for a celebration awarding The Montana Environmental Trust Group East Helena Team with the Excellence in Site Reuse award – For Reuse and Revitalization of the East Helena Superfund Site. Additionally, Certificates of Appreciation will be awarded for superior achievement in environmental sustainability to: United States Fish and Wildlife Service – Karen Nelson, Montana Department of Environmental Quality – Jenny Chambers, Montana Department of Justice Natural Resource Damage Program – Harley Harris, Lewis & Clark County Environmental Health Services Division Lead Education and Assistance Program and Water Quality Protection District – Kathy Moore, City of East Helena – Mayor James Schell, East Helena Public Schools – Ron Whitmoyer, and Prickly Pear Land Trust – Mary Hollow.

In 2018, the Montana Environmental Trust Group sold three parcels comprising almost 400 acres within the East Helena Superfund Site generating nearly \$3 million in sale proceeds to help pay for additional cleanup activities and paving the way for mixed-use and residential developments as well as a new public high school. These land sales mark a turning

point in the transformation of a complex hazardous waste site and the integration of community-supported reuses into remediation of former American Smelting and Refining Company (ASARCO) lands in East Helena. The 2018 land sales have helped fulfill the Montana Environmental Trust Group's goal of returning the former ASARCO lands to productive reuse in a manner that protects human health and the environment while benefiting the East Helena Community.

We look forward to you joining EPA in this celebration!

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